

Bridgeport Evening Farmer

VOL. 51—NO. 141

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1915

PRICE TWO CENTS

POLICE CAN'T FIND OTHERS IMPLICATED IN SULLIVAN DEATH

Prisoner to Make Finding of Inquest Known Tomorrow—Had Been Withholding it While Stories Tending to Clear Martin Blute Were Investigated.

Detectives Report That They Have Traced Movements of Man Who Was Found Dead, and Can't Find He Was Injured Anywhere But in Blute's Saloon.

Search and investigation of early two weeks by the police learn if Patrick Sullivan, whose body was found in the car of Martin Blute's saloon, received any injuries on the Tuesday and Wednesday preceding his death, have resulted in the conclusion that he did not.

In a report made to Coroner J. J. Melan this morning by detective of police headquarters, he was informed that Sullivan had spent both days in peaceful occupation and had come in contact with nothing that caused him injury.

Coroner Phelan has been holding his finding, waiting for the report of the police and now that he has it, he will make public his findings tomorrow. The police report is complete and has satisfied Coroner Phelan as to the movements of Sullivan prior to his death. Sullivan's body was found early in the morning recently, lying in the car of the Blute saloon. It bore injuries that were taken to have been inflicted in a fight or assault. Later, Martin Blute, the proprietor of the saloon, was arrested and held when it was learned the Sullivan had been a row at the saloon and had been arrested. Blute was released recently for \$5,000 bonds.

Schultz Inquest. Coroner Phelan will begin his inquiry into the death of Gustave Schultz tomorrow morning. Schultz was killed when a jitney driver, residing at 32 Main street was this morning reported for trial in the city court on charges preferred against him in that of manslaughter. Schultz is said to have ridden his cycle out of Seaview avenue and entered directly in front of the driver proceeding along Barnum avenue. Though witnesses contend that Schultz did not use care in riding in front of the car, the question of right of way granted by the common council to vehicles travelling north and south is likely to enter materially into this case.

It was not believed at first that Schultz had been fatally injured although an ambulance surgeon pronounced him to have been severely injured about the head. It developed that he had a fracture of the skull, which caused his death at Bridgeport hospital a few days later. Detectives are investigating the facts today. Gustave Schultz was an engineer employed by the Home Brewing Company of this city. He was married and resided at 197 Sheridan street. He was survived by three sons.

UNMUZZLED DOGS ARE MENACE; TWO MORE PERSONS ARE BITTEN

With two new cases of threatened hydrophobia in humans reported to the authorities as suspected from bites of rabid dogs, there is little likelihood that the muzzling order issued by the State Board of Health will be removed for some time.

It is anticipated that the scourge may continue and owing to the fact that the local Board of Health has little available funds for the treatment of patients at the Pasteur Institute, the emergency department of the Charities Board was this morning asked to make all Pasteur treatments in this city.

It was reported that about 200 dogs have been shot by the dog warden and others in the crusade waged against the spread of rabies, and that it is extremely hard to secure evidence of ownership of animals. Dog owners who preferred to have their dogs unmuzzled have taken their license tags from the animals. There are today over 5,000 dogs registered in the city many of which are unmuzzled and it is likely that unless the spread of the disease is checked even more vigorous measures than have heretofore been taken will be necessary. It may be taken and all dogs may be kept from the streets under penalty of being shot.

Dog Warden Hall and Dog Agent Brown, while not giving up hope of checking the spread of the disease have been unable to bring more than two owners of unmuzzled dogs into court, and with an ultimatum from the President of the Police Board, George S. Hill, conspicuously posted in the

PRESIDENT WILSON BECOMES A MEMBER OF MASONS' UNION

Washington, June 15.—President Wilson to-day became a member of the local union of the Journeymen Stone Masons. Representatives of the union who were present when President Wilson recently laid the cornerstone of the American Red Cross Memorial Building here brought him a card of honorary membership.

Presidents McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft also accepted honorary membership in unions during their tenure of office.

Court Grants Immunity To J. L. Billard

New York, June 15.—The Federal District Court today granted immunity to John L. Billard, former director of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, who was indicted with 20 other directors, past and present, for alleged criminal violation of the anti-trust law.

Mr. Billard claimed immunity on the ground that he had testified before the Interstate Commerce Commission and the federal grand jury which, in 1912, indicted Charles S. Mellen, then president of the New Haven road; President Chamberlain, of the Grand Trunk Railway company, and Chairman Smithers, on charges of conspiracy.

The court denied the government's motion that a judgment of conviction be entered against Edward D. Robbins, a director and counsel of the New Haven road, because of the overruling of Mr. Robbins' plea in bar to the indictment. This, it was assumed, would result in Mr. Robbins entering a plea to the indictment and standing trial.

MABY, PROMOTER OF MAIL FRAUD, SENT TO STATE HOSPITAL

Physicians Report That Federal Prisoner is Mentally Unbalanced.

William H. Maby, former proprietor of the Barnum Advertising Co., was committed to the State Hospital at Middletown today by Judge Paul L. Miller of the probate court.

Drs. Edwin A. Dyne and Max Mailhouse of Hartford, appointed by Judge Miller at the recommendation of the United States district attorney that a commission inquire into Maby's sanity, have reported that he is mentally unbalanced. Maby, who is now in the Hartford county jail, will be removed to Middletown.

Maby was arrested for mail order swindle by the Federal authorities. Because of his frequent conflicts with him, they suspected his mental strength and the inquiry followed.

INMUZZLED DOGS ARE MENACE; TWO MORE PERSONS ARE BITTEN

With two new cases of threatened hydrophobia in humans reported to the authorities as suspected from bites of rabid dogs, there is little likelihood that the muzzling order issued by the State Board of Health will be removed for some time.

It is anticipated that the scourge may continue and owing to the fact that the local Board of Health has little available funds for the treatment of patients at the Pasteur Institute, the emergency department of the Charities Board was this morning asked to make all Pasteur treatments in this city.

It was reported that about 200 dogs have been shot by the dog warden and others in the crusade waged against the spread of rabies, and that it is extremely hard to secure evidence of ownership of animals. Dog owners who preferred to have their dogs unmuzzled have taken their license tags from the animals. There are today over 5,000 dogs registered in the city many of which are unmuzzled and it is likely that unless the spread of the disease is checked even more vigorous measures than have heretofore been taken will be necessary. It may be taken and all dogs may be kept from the streets under penalty of being shot.

Dog Warden Hall and Dog Agent Brown, while not giving up hope of checking the spread of the disease have been unable to bring more than two owners of unmuzzled dogs into court, and with an ultimatum from the President of the Police Board, George S. Hill, conspicuously posted in the

ARREST MOTHER FOR MURDER OF TWO CHILDREN

Sensational Development Comes in Anthony Habeas Corpus Hearing.

RELEASED AS CURED IN INSANE ASYLUM

Now She is At Liberty Under Bail of \$2,500 Given By Husband.

On the charge that she drowned her two children in a bathtub, Helen C. Anthony, wife of a wealthy Greenwich, Conn., merchant, was arrested this morning just after Judge Williams, in part one of the superior court had ordered her release from the State Hospital for the Insane at Middletown. Mrs. Anthony was arrested on a bench warrant served by Deputy Sheriff Cunningham. She was charged with manslaughter and placed in \$2,500 bail, which her husband furnished.

Mrs. Anthony, an attractive woman about 30 years old, has been in the Middletown institution for more than a year. It was March 19, 1914, while suffering from depressed insanity, that she drowned her children, Margie, aged three, and Helen, aged nine. She said she did it because she was suffering from tuberculosis and so were the children. She thought it would relieve her husband of the expense of caring for them if they were killed.

After her arrest in Greenwich, Mrs. Anthony was examined by three physicians and pronounced insane. She was then sent to Middletown for three years. After the completion of the first year she was pronounced cured and her husband, William E. Anthony, brought habeas corpus proceedings. It was on this motion that Mrs. Anthony was brought before Judge Williams today.

Supt. William E. Fisher of the Middletown institution told about the woman's condition when first brought there. She suffered from delusions that the children were starving and she herself refused to eat. She also threatened to commit suicide. As she had been in the asylum for a time she steadily improved and Supt. Fisher declared Mrs. Anthony is sane now.

When asked if she might have another attack of insanity, Supt. Fisher declared she probably would, although a long period might elapse. He thought that if she had another attack it would be suicidal instead of homicidal.

Judge Williams did not order her released on the ground that she had been cured but found that she had been illegally committed.

State's Attorney Cummings said the state desired to investigate the case before deciding what the future course of procedure will be.

YOUTH LONG HELD IN MURDER CASE TO TELL STORY

Special Session of Criminal Court Planned in Darien Mystery.

In order that John Devereaux may have a chance to be heard, Judge Shumway will ask the supreme court to order a special session of the criminal superior court next week in this city and the Darien boy, who has been in jail since May 15, will have an opportunity to tell what he knows about the disappearance of Margaret Fair. This action followed a conference this morning between Judge Shumway, State's Attorney Cummings and Attorney Henry E. Shannon, representing the boy. Attorney Shannon maintained that it was an injustice to keep the boy in jail for a month when there was no charge against him.

Judge Shumway said the statute allowed the coroner to keep a suspected person in jail a reasonable length of time while a case was being investigated. He thought it advisable to ask for a special session of the criminal court in order that bail might be fixed if any charge was entered against Devereaux.

State's Attorney Cummings said after the conference that the state police had been working on the mystery and he believed there was strong evidence against Devereaux. Neither the state's attorney nor Coroner Phelan would testify what the autopsy on the woman's body disclosed. The body was exhumed last week.

This body was found in the woods in Darien in August, 1914 and is reported to be the body of Margaret Fair, wife of William F. Fair, on whose farm Devereaux worked. Fair is now in the county jail.

RESTRICT LICENSES FOR JITNEY DRIVING TO SKILLED OPERATORS.

New jitney applicants in Bridgeport are finding their path not so simple as heretofore. Unless they can show their qualifications to operate a car they are refused jitney permits by Superintendent Birmingham.

A number of applicants for jitney licenses already have met with rebuffs.

WEATHER FORECAST

Probably showers tonight and Wednesday. Light south winds becoming west.

SUBURBANITES OF CHICAGO RIDE IN LOCOMOTIVES

Train Service is Inadequate When Strike Leaves Commuters Very Flat.

SOME FIND PLACES ON COWCATCHERS

Few Cars Are Run in City and Business Generally is Affected.

Chicago, June 15.—The strike of 14,000 street railway employees which yesterday started with a carnival spirit, was met today with sober faces by approximately 1,500,000 people whose usual transportation facilities had been cut off.

Not a wheel was turned on the 1,095 miles of surface lines today but officials of the plovered roads have planned to operate trains under guard throughout today. Rioting or disorder was absent yesterday, the first day of the strike, but police continued to guard at the car barns throughout the city today to prevent violence. The only act of violence reported yesterday was when a strike sympathizer hurled a milk can at a street car. The result that a detective guard was slightly cut by broken glass.

The suburban service of the steam railroads, upon which an unprecedented burden was thrust by the street car strike yesterday, provided more accommodations today but were not able to meet the requirements of the occasion.

At the Gross Park station of the Chicago & Northwestern a large crowd which had been unable to obtain a foothold on earlier trains or even to board motor cars, gathered in a barbed wire fence enclosing the platform and swarmed on a train. Thirty men found seats on the coal tender and 10 more in the engine cab, on the running boards and on a motor car. The rest of the train crew in the same humor.

Elevated trains at the northern and southern terminals started out at 6 o'clock with detachments but few passengers aboard. It was stated that an attempt to maintain a 15 minute schedule would be made until nightfall. Disorder attended the starting of the trains. No definite promise of peace was in sight.

Peace proposals were being considered in many quarters today. The Illinois State Arbitration has sent communications to officials of the traction companies and union leaders, offering state arbitration.

The aldermanic committee, of which Mayor Thompson is chairman, has assumed complete charge of the situation in so far as the city government is concerned, in an effort to effect an immediate settlement. The committee was appointed at a meeting of the council last night. The council also passed an ordinance seeking to prohibit the employment of strike breakers but it was said today that it was not yet into effect for several days even if signed by the mayor. Big signs advising of the destination and charge for rides were posted on motor busses, leave to depart for the city, furniture trucks and thousands of jitneys, which continued a rushing business.

The standard price for two miles or more was ten cents if one stood, and 25 cents was charged. Railroads which operate suburban service, were unable to handle the crush of passengers, and many trains were added to the service. Contrary to expectations, downtown theatres did a rushing business last night, the amusement parks lost heavily.

The city under the ordinance by which the surface lines operate, has collected approximately \$120,000,000 as a result of the strike. The city receives 55 per cent of the net earnings, its share for the year ended Jan. 31, 1914, being \$2,421,235 compared with \$3,002,464 for the previous year.

NEW HAVEN ROAD CLERKS NEARING GENERAL STRIKE

New Haven, June 15.—No settlement of the grievances of the freight clerks on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad has been reached through several conferences which have been held between officers of the company and those of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks with federal conciliators as intermediaries, according to an announcement made today.

Grand Vice-President J. J. Forrester, of the Brotherhood, this afternoon, in an interview after a statement of the clerks' side had been made public, declared that a "strike of clerks on the whole system seemed unavoidable."

He added: "While there is still an opening the railroad company will at least meet the committee half way if it desires to avoid a strike."

The clerks' committee, in its statement, reviews its grievances and says: "There are 1,300 clerks in the Brotherhood on the New Haven system and 95 per cent of them will walk out immediately if the word is given."

At the offices of the railroad here it was stated no statement would be issued by the company at this time.

TOWN CLERK IN PERIL WHEN JITNEY SKIDS.

A jitney bus in which Town Clerk Joseph A. Schultz was riding to the city hall this morning, skidded on the wet pavement at Main and Grand streets and slewed around, striking the curb. Nobody was injured, but Town Clerk Schultz got out and walked the rest of the way.

HOSTILE AIRSHIPS SUELL WAR SPRUHE

LUSITANIA UNARMED, CARSEN ASSERTS AT GOVERNMENT INQUIRY

London, June 15.—"The Lusitania was not armed and she never was fitted out as a transport" was one of the remarks made by Sir Edward Carson, attorney-general of the new cabinet, in addressing the court this morning at the opening of the board of trade inquiry into the loss of the Cunard liner, which was sent to the bottom off the south coast of Ireland, May 7 by a German submarine with a loss of over 1,000 lives.

Baron Maclay, president of the court, is assisted by Admiral Sir Frederick Englefield and Lieut. Commander Hearn as naval assessors, and Captain Davies and Captain Speeding, of the Mercantile Marine, Attorney-General Carson and Frederick E. Smith represented the board today while the Cunard Line company and the passengers of the Lusitania, including the late Alfred G. Vanderbilt, all were represented by counsel.

Public interest in the case was evidenced by the large number of spectators who crowded the court. It was noted with interest that virtually simultaneously with the opening of the investigation there was received news of the finding of two more bodies at sea near where the Lusitania sank. One was of a boy about 14 years old and the other of a man. Neither was identified.

Sir Edward Carson, who opened for the board of trade, said he counted the fullest inquiry. He was able to give complete denial to the contention of the German government that the Lusitania was an armed vessel carrying guns and serving as an auxiliary to the naval forces of Great Britain.

"In their note to Germany," the speaker said, "the United States already have officially denied this and the evidence I propose to call will confirm and fully prove the remarks of the American government that the Lusitania was not armed and that she never had been fitted out as a transport."

Without warning a German submarine fired two torpedoes at the Lusitania and it is believed that a third projectile also was fired. Such an act was not only contrary to international law but it is contrary to the dictates of civilization and humanity. To sink passenger ships in this manner was a deliberate attempt at murder."

Continuing, Sir Edward remarked that the question of speed would be important. The Lusitania was going 18 knots, using only 19 out of her 25 boilers in consequence of the decreased traffic, thus saving a quarter of her total consumption and a proportionate amount of labor.

Certain specific information was sent by the British Admiralty by wireless telegraph to the Lusitania, but these instructions are not to be made public and this part of the evidence is to be taken in private.

"It is quite evident," said the attorney-general, "that one of the main questions for the consideration of the court will be these instructions and how far the captain of the Lusitania acted upon them."

"As a result of the first question to be decided in an investigation of this kind is how the accident occurred. In this case we know that there was no liability to the naval forces of Great Britain."

(Continued on Page Two)

RICH BLACK ROCK FOLKS OBJECT TO CITY SEWER PLAN

Vigorous Protests Will Be Made at Meeting of Aldermen on Monday.

The city of Bridgeport will have to dredge part of Black Rock harbor to remove a large sandbar before property owners in Beacon street will consent to having the proposed new Harborview avenue sewer run through their land. At the meeting of the board of aldermen next Monday night vigorous protest is expected to be made against the plan.

The board of health has petitioned the council for a sewer to relieve Harborview avenue and as a result, City Engineer A. H. Terry has investigated the matter. He reports that the sewer should run down Harborview avenue to Groves avenue, thence to Beacon street and to the water.

Mrs. George M. Penfield is the owner of much valuable property in the neighborhood of the proposed site of the sewer. If the sewer is put through Beacon street to the water, it is expected her representatives will protest that the property will be greatly depreciated in value. Just off the point where the sewer would probably run into the water is a sand bar, and it is claimed, that sewage, refuse and polluted water would collect there and make the vicinity much less valuable than it is now.

The city will have to remove the sandbar, the residents will probably demand, if the sewer is to be built at the place planned. Otherwise the pipe will have to be built far into the water, beyond the bar.

Despite these possible compromises it is expected the representatives of Mrs. Penfield and James Carr, another property owner, will make much protest. They will probably contend that Beacon street is not a city street and has never been accepted. On this ground it is likely, so the opinion is, that their protest will be sustained.

The city's plan to put a sewer through there was based on the fact that Beacon street, although never accepted, is so much used that it is virtually a city street.

At the public hearing it is probable the property owners will suggest that the Harborview sewer be connected with the Bostwick avenue sewer.

County Legislators Here Tomorrow For Court House Business

The state senators and representatives from Fairfield county will meet here tomorrow to confer with the building committee which has charge of the county courthouse addition. The committee wants the senators to pass resolutions approving the issue of bonds, which the General Assembly authorized to raise money for the building.

There is also a proposition to have some banking firm certify that the bonds are genuine. There is some difference of opinion regarding the necessary procedure and this feature will be discussed tomorrow. The meeting will be called at 10 a. m.

ERNEST V. O'BRIEN RESIGNS BUSINESS AGENCY FOR UNION

Hustling Representative of the Bricklayers to Be Mason Contractor.

Ernest V. O'Brien, for several years business agent of the Bricklayers, Masons & Plasterers' union, resigned last night to enter the masonry contracting business. Martin O'Brien will be the name of the new concern and Mr. O'Brien will be in partnership with William Martin, Jr. As Thomas Burns, former assistant building inspector in the employ of the city, will succeed Mr. O'Brien. He was elected after a long contest, last night at the meeting of the union. Earl Gussman and Frank Edwards were the other contenders for the place.

Appreciating the work Mr. O'Brien had done so efficiently during his term of office, members of the union presented him with a purse of \$100 in gold, when his resignation was accepted. His loss will be a severe blow to the union, especially in view of the difficulties that recently arose, but before he leaves his term of office, Mr. O'Brien, by a master stroke, eliminated the possibility of sudden strikes or serious disagreements in this city by causing to be adopted a pact between contractors and members of the union.

Possessed of a pleasing personality, a keen business sense, and a thorough knowledge of his business, Mr. O'Brien served his union with a high regard. He enlisted the confidence of both men and employers, and his success is marked by the fact that after ten years' disagreement, a dispute between the bricklayers and contractors, was settled through his efforts.

Mr. O'Brien's friends are many and his career as a contractor will be watched with interest.

BRYAN WITHHOLDS HIS STATEMENT ON "CAUSELESS WAR"

Washington, June 15.—Former Secretary Bryan did not issue his promised statement to-day on "The causeless war" and its lessons for us, but announced that he was preparing it in three parts.

"To-morrow," said Mr. Bryan, in a formal announcement, "I shall submit the first part, dealing with the war as it is and the injury it does to neutral nations. The next day I shall consider the origin of the war and the influences which caused it; the third and concluding section will treat of the means which may be employed for restoring permanent peace. As the article will be furnished to all newspapers, without partiality or discrimination, it will not be my fault if any papers fail to lay it before their readers."

KING CONSTANTINE IMPROVES

Washington, June 15.—The general condition of King Constantine, of Greece, continues to improve, according to a bulletin received at the legation here early to-day.

Five Raiders Drop Bombs on City For Forty-Five Minutes—Many Reported Killed and Wounded—British Navy Has 13,500 Casualties.

Billion and a Quarter War Credit is Authorized By Great Britain—Trawler is Torpedoed and Sunk By Blockader—Crew Saved in Small Boats.

Karlsruhe, Baden, June 15.—Five hostile airmen bombarded Karlsruhe for 45 minutes this morning. Several persons were killed or wounded.

British Trawler Sunk

London, June 15.—The British trawler Argyll was torpedoed and sunk today by a German submarine. Of the crew of eleven men only four were saved. These were landed at Harwich, on the east coast. The Argyll was sent to the bottom without warning and went down in less than two minutes.

Gerhardt In Norway

Christiania, Norway, June 13.—The Scandinavian-American line steamer United States arrived here yesterday from New York. Among her passengers is Meyer Gerhardt, the attaché of the German colonial office, who is on his way to Berlin, at the instance of Count Von Bernstorff, German ambassador at Washington, to present the American political situation to the German authorities.

Navy Losses Heavy

London, June 15.—Thirteen thousand, five hundred and forty-seven officers and men of the British navy, including marines and members of the naval division, have been killed or wounded or reported missing from the beginning of the war up to May 31, according to an announcement made in London today. Of this total 8,245 were killed.

Austrians In Advance

Innsbruck, Austria, June 15.—Twenty-five thousand Austro-Hungarian troops left Trent yesterday and are now advancing against the Italians on the Riva-Rovereto front.

Huge War Credit Voted

London, June 15.—The House of Commons this afternoon voted another credit of 250,000,000 pounds (\$1,500,000,000), making with previous sums, a total of \$2,000,000,000 pounds (\$4,310,000,000) already allowed for war purposes. Premier Asquith informed the members that the next three months' disbursements would be not less than \$15,000,000 daily.

ELECTION IN GREECE MAY BRING OUTRIGGER COUNTRY INTO WAR.

London, June 15.—It is apparent that the former premier of Greece, M. Venizelos, and his followers, have won an overwhelming victory in the Greek general elections. The last news shows a majority of two-thirds for the war party in parliament. The British press is of the opinion that this means a deliberate choice on the part of the Greek people to cast their lot with the allies—Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy.

Reports from Paris make mention of slight progress all along the line but nothing is said of the situation north of Arras, where the Germans have rallied and recaptured some of their lost trenches.

German official reports represent recent fighting on the river San, in Galicia, as having resulted in a great victory for General Von Mackensen, who has effectively countered the Russian blow at Zuzarna, on the Onestier river.

Italian heavy artillery has begun the bombardment of Malborghetto, one of the pivots of the Austrian defense between the Carnic Alps and the upper Isone river. Tarvis, an important railroad junction, 12 miles further east, also is threatened.

The inquiry into the loss of the Cunard liner Lusitania was opened in London this morning. Nothing is to be made public concerning the orders sent to the ship by the British Admiralty, but testimony showing the actions of those in charge of the steamer after the torpedoes were fired will be permitted. Attorney General Carson, in his opening statement, said the Lusitania was opened on only 19 knots an hour at the time of the attack, using 19 of her 25 boilers.